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The New Deal Café Plans For More Food, Art, Music

by Mark Cheater

Those who've walked through Roosevelt Center on a recent Tuesday or Saturday evening may have heard something vaguely familiar: the sounds of strumming guitars, clinking glasses and laughing people, all coming from the New Deal Café.

After nearly 19 months of pandemic-related shutdowns and restrictions, the Café, a member-owned Greenbelt institution for 26 years, is coming back to life. With a freshly upgraded interior, a new food vendor and expanded hours, the Café is in many ways

better than ever.

"We've survived one of the most challenging periods in our history, and we're eager to welcome Greenbelters back to our beautiful, welcoming, community living room," said Michael Hartman, president of the New Deal Café cooperative's board of directors.

Earlier this year, the board decided to use the Covid-19 shutdown to undertake long-overdue upgrades to the Café's interior. The pockmarked 1937-era terrazzo floors were restored, cracked

and stained ceiling tiles were replaced, old lighting fixtures were upgraded, walls were patched and painted and the sound system was improved. In addition, virus-killing ultraviolet lights were added to the ventilation system and the facility received a deep clean.

In the summer, the Greenbelt Co-op Supermarket was brought onboard as the Café's new food vendor, a historic collaboration of two local co-ops. The Co-op

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Veterans Day Ceremonies Again Held in Person at War Memorial

by Butch Hicks



From left, MPO Robert Defibaugh, PFC Abbey Kipke and Sergeant Mike Apgar of the Greenbelt Police Department attend the Veterans Day ceremonies at Roosevelt Center on Thursday, November 11.

Greenbelt's Veterans Day Ceremony was held on November 11 at Roosevelt Center. Mayor Emmett Jordan, members of the Greenbelt City Council, Maryland Delegate Anne Healey and American Legion Post 136 officers addressed community guests, veterans and those still serving in the military.

Jordan echoed President Biden's Veterans Day remarks, saying that on Veterans Day we honor the bravery and dedication of those who have earned the title of "American veteran."

Veterans of Vietnam, the Gulf War, Desert Storm and other conflicts were in the audience and heard praise for their service

and learned of evolving veterans benefits. Delegate Healey said, "Veterans protect our way of life over and over again." She also commented on legislation being developed that would provide GI Bill benefits to descendants of Black World War II veterans. The original GI Bill provided prosperity for post-war America, but Black World War II veterans were denied full access to these benefits. "The effort is designed

for our leaders to correct injustices that occurred in an effort to make things better," she said.

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Breaking News

Prince George's County Council passed the new redistricting map. See story and map, page 16.

What Goes On

Monday, November 22
8 p.m., City Council Meeting
Wednesday, November 24
8 p.m., City Council Work-session: TBD

All meetings are virtual. See the meetings calendar at greenbeltdmd.gov for agendas and information on public participation in these meetings.

Greenbelt's Own Billy Smith Receives Wall of Fame Honor

by Julie Rapp



PHOTO BY GLENN HARRIS

Councilmember Ric Gordon, Dea Zuby and Konrad Herling attend the Wall of Fame dedication for Billy Smith. Smith was Dea Zuby's son-in-law.

On January 17, 2020, a beloved father of three, a cherished husband, friend, local youth athletic coach and mentor to many, lost his life at the age of 41 after a struggle with armed intruders during a home invasion. Billy Owens Smith has been described by many as the "embodiment of sunlight," and since his death has left family and friends to feel his loss every day. This was evident on Friday evening, November 12, at the Beltway Plaza Wall of

Fame reception honoring Billy and his life. Speaker after speaker stood and relayed memories of a man who embodied kindness, love and generosity toward others.

To open the ceremony Kap Kapastin of Beltway Plaza management gave a few remarks stating, "We are here tonight to honor Billy and his many contributions to the community." Kapastin

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GHI Tree Marker Program Identifies Trees to Watch

by Glenn Harris

In your recent travels around the Greenbelt Homes Inc. (GHI) housing cooperative, you may have noticed coin-size metal markers attached to some trees. (This reporter has one in the holly tree in the yard at his unit.) You may have even asked the questions:

1. Are these markers condo numbers for the resident squirrels, or are they
2. Some sort of latter-day Hansel and Gretel bread crumbs?

Actually, the answer is "none of the above." Those markers are

identifications of trees in the GHI Tree Marker Program.

The markers are used for identification and maintenance of larger trees that are next to homes, common areas or woodland areas. The criteria are that the tree should be at least 12 inches in diameter at breast height (dbh). This is a common measurement standard in the forestry industry and, in the United States, breast height is usually defined as 4.5 feet. The

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PHOTO BY GLENN HARRIS

Arborist Rebecca Feldberg drives a new marker into a tree on GHI property.

Letters to the Editor

Billy Smith's Fame

It was extremely gratifying to read that Billy Owens Smith, Jr. was to be cited on the Wall of Honor at Beltway Plaza Mall. I know it means a lot to his family. I was proud of the Mall and of the city for this recognition. I could not attend the ceremony due to illness, and Barbara was attending an important family function. We celebrate the event no less.

For those who don't know, Billy was a young man who gave much to his community, mostly through his coaching with the Greenbelt Boys and Girls Club. His life was cut short in a home invasion incident in January of last year.

This was one great guy who left a tremendous legacy for the city. I quote here from a paragraph of his obituary that was printed in this newspaper on January 30, 2020. [He] "proved that one great person can touch more hearts than we'll ever know. He will forever be remembered as a great son and brother, a wonderful father and husband, an awesome coach, mentor and friend. Our constant comedian was the life of the party. He never met a stranger, and you didn't feel like one in his presence. Our lives are all a little brighter, and our hearts a little fuller having known him."

Would that my grandchildren can be as successful as he was at recognizing love as the commodity that sparks true fulfillment and accomplishment in this life. I was blessed to have known him and felt the power of his positive force.

In this unsettled time where rage and disharmony abound, it is important to note that goodness remains and is found with ease here in Greenbelt. I hear voices counseling reason and I see it modeled in many acts of kindness and appreciation. It depends on what you value and look for in others. Billy showed it every day to everyone. May he rest in peace knowing others appreciated his efforts.

Rick Ransom

Reparations Effort Work of Greenbelters

Bill Norwood says that the campaign for the passage of the Reparations Referendum was the work of an "outside" group. Simply not true. A group of Greenbelt residents, loving our city and wanting it to live more fully into our community pledge, gathered in October to spread the word. We had very little time to pull everything together and asked for help from the Prince George's County Democratic Socialists of America (many of whose members are Greenbelters). Please know that this was a campaign developed, organized and carried to success by Greenbelt residents.

At the same time, this current concern about "outsiders" is ironic given the focus on reparations, echoing an earlier time in our municipal history when African Americans were considered "outsiders" (including those who worked on building GHI in the early days and those who already lived and farmed in the area). This history of exclusion and denial, including disregard of indigenous people who were the first residents of what is now

Greenbelt, is at the heart of the need to consider reparations.

I hope the work of the Commission, and all of us in the community, will help us engage in an honest and open exploration of our history, including vestiges of "outsider-ism" alive today, and determine how we may continue the work of fostering "a community which is respectful, safe, and fair for all people" (Greenbelt Community Pledge).

Rev. Dr. Robin Hawley Gorsline

Governor's Stance Ignores Those in Need

Our governor, Larry Hogan, is discouraging passage of the Build Back Better Act. This Act would provide funding for Home and Community Based Services. There are currently 10,709 people in Maryland with intellectual and/or developmental disabilities waiting for these services. There are an additional 20,500 people on a separate waiting list for the elderly and otherwise disabled. Why doesn't Larry Hogan want to help these people when Congress and the President are working hard to get funds to those in desperate need?

How many Greenbelters are stuck waiting in line because we have a governor who insists on toeing the Republican line instead of doing what is best for the people of Maryland? Surely, in the richest country in the world, we can help the disabled and elderly. Surely, we are not so cruel as to leave Americans in need without succor.

Please call on the governor to stop equating helping others (a basic part of Americans' desire to support their neighbors) with some kind of "far left" plot. This is not "far left." This is fundamental to the heart of what it is to live in the USA. We should heed the words of James Madison, "It has been said that America is a country for the poor, not the rich. It is the country for both, but proportionally, more for the former than for the latter."

Brett Fishburne

GNR Editorial Staff Act as Moderators

I participate in online social media, but only when there are moderators taking responsibility for content integrity and for civility. When I read a newspaper, I trust the editorial staff to take on similar moderation duties. I expect them to monitor the language and the accuracy of the articles, the letters, and the advertisements.

What criteria should they use? I believe that to represent Greenbelt's core values, our newspaper needs to support civility and integrity. Who are the News Review's staff to judge? We rely on volunteers who put in the work. If a reader thinks the policy stated on the Letters page is wrong, perhaps they can volunteer for the staff to get a closer look at the decisions that editors must make.

David Shapiro

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GNR Thanksgiving Ads/Copy Deadline



Thanksgiving holiday schedules for our printer mean the News Review must submit the camera-ready copy to them a day early.

As a result, all published deadlines for copy, photos and ads are ONE DAY earlier than they usually are. The times remain the same.

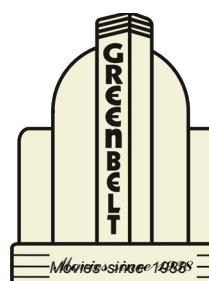
Out of consideration for our staff, it is preferable that materials come in even earlier than that whenever possible. All efforts will be much appreciated.

The newspaper may be delivered to doorsteps either Thursday or Friday, depending on carrier schedules and printer delivery times.

PETE REPPERT



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Deadline for letters is 6 p.m. Monday. Submission does not guarantee publication. Letters should be no longer than 300 words (shorter letters are more likely to be published).

Letters may be edited for clarity, grammar, civility and space constraints. The News Review may add a comment from the editor if deemed necessary.

All letters must include the letter writer's name, physical address, and telephone number. Only the name will be published; the News Review will consider requests for the name to be withheld.



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Greenbelt Community Center at 15 Crescent Rd.

OFFICE HOURS: Monday 2 - 4 p.m., Tuesday 2 - 4, 6 - 8 p.m.

Office is currently closed to the public. Please phone or email.

GNR external office door mail slot is located up a few stairs 25 yards left of the Community Center's east door near the municipal building.

Community Events

Porch Greenbelt Food Collection Schedule

Porch Greenbelt Food Collection is continuing its successful program to collect food in the month of November. Leave items out between 2 and 4 p.m. on Sunday, November 21 for all of Boxwood Village; and between 9 and 10 a.m. on Saturday, November 27 for 14 and 15 Courts Laurel Hill.

As a reminder, place donations in a box or bag labelled PORCH or RUAK on the front porch or other location that can be seen from the road. Also, make sure to check the expiration dates on food items.

Welcome to volunteers who would expand Porch Greenbelt to additional neighborhoods in Greenbelt. Anyone with questions or an interest in becoming a volunteer or starting a new neighborhood for monthly food collection may contact Robert Goldberg-Strassler at spreadruak@gmail.com.

Bakery Offers Cookies To Golden Agers

Greenbelt Recreation Senior Programs has partnered with Janubi Devendra, director of marketing at Beltway Plaza, to celebrate the Golden Age Club members' birthdays.

Beltway Plaza is offering a \$5 gift certificate to Heaven's Bakery (inside Beltway Plaza) to Golden Age Club members during their birthday month. Members receive their choice of cookies up to \$5; if they go over the \$5, they would pay the difference.

Members receive their certificate by mail or can pick it up from Rebekah Sutfin at the Community Center.



Vaccination Clinics Now for Ages 5, Up

Prince George's County Health Department, in partnership with Prince George's County Public Schools, is holding after-school Covid-19 vaccination clinics for individuals age 5 and older. In Greenbelt, the clinics are located at Eleanor Roosevelt High School (ERHS) and Springhill Lake Elementary School. The final ERHS dates are set for Tuesdays from 5 to 8 p.m. November 23 (first dose) and December 14 (second dose). Springhill Lake Elementary School will have a mobile vaccination clinic from 3 to 8 p.m. on December 21 (first dose) and January 11 (second dose).

A list of all of the schools with clinics is available at mypgc.us/COVIDvaccine. Appointments are encouraged, though walk-ins will be accepted. Individuals younger than 18 receiving vaccinations must have a parent or legal guardian complete the Vaccine Consent Form for Minors and the Parental Delegation Form Authorizing the Immunization of a Minor. Forms can be found online here: princegeorgescountymd.gov/3730/COVID-19-Vaccine. Vaccines are also available at area pediatrician's offices.

At the Library

The Greenbelt Library will close at 5 p.m. on Wednesday, November 24 for the Thanksgiving Day holiday and remain closed on Thursday, November 25. The Library will reopen on Friday, November 26 at 10 a.m.

The Library resumed passport service on November 1, by appointment only.

Library at The SPACE

Suggested library programs for viewing on the laptops while visiting The SPACE are: Café a las cuatro, Kids Achieve Club, English Conversation Club and Craft-ernoons. Suggested services to access on Library laptops include: Mango Languages, Brainfuse JobNow, Brainfuse HelpNow which offers live tutoring to students, and Spanish-language resources for children such as Lectorum by Make Make. All resources are completely free with a library card, and The SPACE continues to offer free WiFi as part of a generous ongoing grant from an outside partner. In-person indoor programming will eventually be offered at The SPACE when Covid-19 conditions permit. Future programs will include monthly bilingual storytimes, STEM programs for kids and wellness programs for families.

Storytimes

Ready 2 Read Storytime. Wednesdays, ages 3 to 5, 12:15 p.m., limit 15 people. Thursdays, ages 2 to 3, 11:15 a.m., limit 15 people. Come for stories, songs, finger plays and more. Pick up a ticket at the information desk. The sessions will be held outdoors by the upper-level entrance.

The Greenbelt Library is open on Mondays, Thursdays and Fridays from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Tuesdays and Wednesdays from noon to 8 p.m.; Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and Sundays from 1 to 5 p.m. The Library offers unlimited browsing, computers for extendable one-hour sessions with no appointment needed, printing/scanning self-service, self-checkout, staff assistance at the circulation and information desks, book drop for returning items, free study rooms (five small, one group) available for two-hour sessions per day and meeting room reservations for a fee.

Donate for the Girls Through Nov. 30

The Greenbelt Alliance for Reproductive Freedom (GARF), a city recognition group, continues its bra and menstrual product donation drive through Tuesday, November 30. Drop off new or clean, gently used bras of any size or type and new sealed menstrual products in the collection bins at the Co-op Supermarket, the New Deal Café, Greenbelt Aquatic & Fitness Center and the Youth Center throughout November. Beneficiary organizations include the nonprofits Shepherd's Cove Emergency Shelter for Women and Children in Capitol Heights and I Support the Girls, which coordinates the direct delivery of supplies on an as-needed basis to organizations serving women and girls. For more information, email greenbeltarf@gmail.com. Those who prefer to make a monetary donation can do so through I Support the Girls at bit.ly/ISTGxGreenbeltARF.

The Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary will be holding their annual bake sale outside of the Co-op on Saturday, November 20 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Stop by to purchase some delicious baked goods and support the local Fire Department and Ladies Auxiliary.

Give or Get Hats, Gloves and Scarves



The Realty One hat collection sign and box

Realty 1 is collecting and distributing hats, gloves and scarves. Anyone can give to or receive from Working Together to Keep Greenbelt Warm. Contact Linda Ivy at 301-675-0585 to donate or receive warm hats, gloves or scarves.

Workday for Invasive Plant Removal

Help fight invasives and plant natives. The GHI Woodlands Committee is hosting an invasive removal workday on Saturday, November 20 from 9 a.m. to noon. The mission is to remove invasive brambles and vines in preparation for creating a new propagation area for native trees and shrubs. Meet at the picnic table between 8 and 10 Courts Laurel Hill Road, and work will be next to the blackberry patch at the woodland edge.

What to bring:

1. A face mask for when in proximity to others. All participants are required to socially distance as much as possible for their safety and that of others.

2. Clothes that cover the skin. Wear leather gloves and thick pants to protect against scratches.

3. Bug repellent, hand sanitizer, etc.

4. Tools and equipment will be provided, but bringing extra pruners, loppers or a shovel to facilitate other volunteers' involvement would be appreciated.

For more information, contact BryanBruns@yahoo.com.

Beltway Plaza Offers Free Dinners

On Saturday, November 20 from noon to 3 p.m. Beltway Plaza will offer free Turkey Dinner giveaways while supplies last. The meal can be picked up in the rear parking lot by the AMC Theater. Available for drive-through or walk-up.

VFD Auxiliary Hosts Bake Sale at Co-op

The Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary will be holding their annual bake sale outside of the Co-op on Saturday, November 20 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Stop by to purchase some delicious baked goods and support the local Fire Department and Ladies Auxiliary.

Meetings That Work For Everyone, # 2

In the first of four sessions, sighted and unsighted participants explored ways to hold meetings that meet the needs of everyone. Here's a recording of the session: tinyurl.com/CDCGsion1.

Join Aileen Kroll, John Buck, Denna Lambert, Rev. Ray Raynor (and neighbors and friends) in being part of the change.

This process continues on November 30 from 7 to 9 p.m. on Zoom, us02web.zoom.us/j/7323013592, or by phone, 415-762-9988. When prompted, enter Meeting ID 7323013592# followed by # again.

For anyone having trouble joining the meeting, call John at 410-245-8654.

Everyone is welcome, those from the first session and those joining for the first time.

Based on participant feedback, immediate changes were implemented. The next step is to create a "universal design," an organizational blueprint.

Astronomical Society Meeting on Thursday

The Astronomical Society of Greenbelt will hold its monthly meeting on Thursday, November 18 at 7:30 p.m. via Zoom. Sue Bassett will present a lecture entitled Fantastic Beasts and Why You Can't Find Them: An Astronomical View of Ice Age Extinctions. The link to the Zoom session will be posted on the Events page of the Astronomical Society's website, greenbeltastro.org, before the meeting begins.

Scouting for Food Extended to Nov. 20

Greenbelt Cub Scouts Pack 202 have extended their nonperishable food collection during this year's Scouting for Food event. Collection boxes will remain in place until the morning of Saturday, November 20.

Visit this map to find the most convenient donation box: tinyurl.com/v88bfy2r. For more information or to have donations picked up, email annalouisebedford@gmail.com.



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7am	Greenbelt Newsreel	Local Community Programming
8am	Democracy Now!	Yesterday's Syndicated Program
9am	Utopia Film Festival	Selected Films From Utopia 2018
11am	Greenbelt Newsreel	Local Community Programming
Noon	Democracy Now!	Today's Syndicated Program
1pm	PGCPS Science Bowl	Greenbelt v Robert Goddard Middle
2pm	Music at the New Deal	iLYAMY • American Folk Music
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Indoor Yard Sale Saturday, Nov. 20

The Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary will hold their indoor Community Yard Sale on November 20, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Fire House, 125 Crescent Road. The sale supports the fire department and ladies auxiliary. Refreshments will be available for purchase. Masks must be worn while inside the hall.

A few vendor tables are still available. See classified ad on page 14.



Composting Workday Volunteers Needed

On Saturday, November 20, any time from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., join in a composting workday at the three-bin hot composting station behind Roosevelt Center, alongside the Aquatic & Fitness Center. Volunteers will help to build a compost pile that gets hot, so you can learn about how hot composting works. Elementary through high school kids are invited to join. There's lots of work to be done.

After chopping some 30 to 40 buckets of food waste donated from the Co-op Supermarket, volunteers will mix food, water, shredded leaves and woodchips and pile it all in one of the bins. Then the buckets need to be washed and set out to dry. But there is always time to stop for a snack.

Over the next few weeks, the pile will reach temperatures between 130 to 150 degrees as it "cooks." After the cook, which destroys seeds and pathogens, experienced volunteers will feed the "yummy" mix to red wiggler worms living on the loading dock of the New Deal Café.

To keep food scraps from the landfill – where they produce methane, one of the worst greenhouse gases – and learn more about composting, come to the workday. Email NewDealWiggler@gmail.com to join the workday, or for more information.

Obituaries

Lois Funk



PHOTO COURTESY THE FAMILY

Lois Rae Funk

Lois Rae Funk died on her 83rd birthday, Monday, November 1, 2021. She was born on November 1, 1938, in Washington, D.C., to Anna Madeline Funk and Rayner Ambrose Funk. Lois was an only child who spent her childhood in Lanham and loved traveling with her parents. She lived in Greenbelt for 20 years, and was a housemate of life-long resident Liz Labukas in the 5 Court of Eastway, staffed by the CALMRA residential agency. She had a developmental disability.

Lois worked for many years at ROI (Rehabilitation Opportunities, Inc.) doing assembly work. When she finally decided to retire, she stayed active with the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission (M-NCPPC) Friendly Bunch Social Club, going on outings, dances and annual mini-trips. She also enjoyed weekly bowling with the M-NCPPC Woodchoppers League. She was involved with the People on the Go Self-Advocacy Group sponsored by The Arc and was one of their elected officials. As she got older, Lois decided to join the Golden Age Club in Greenbelt, sharing luncheons and lectures with ladies her own age.

Lois was proud to be asked to represent the CALMRA residents

at the CALMRA Board of Directors monthly meetings. Even during the pandemic she participated in the Board meetings via Zoom.

Cards can be sent to her group home: Lois Funk's Family, 11407 Allview Drive, Beltsville, MD 20705. Donations in her memory can be sent to CALMRA, Inc., 14100 Laurel Park Drive, Laurel, MD 20707.

- Kathy Labukas

Bill Dunn

Bill Dunn died on Saturday, October 23, 2021. He was born in Baltimore.

His family moved to Greenbelt (18 Court of Ridge) when he was young. He married Pat Sweeney and moved to 6 Court of Plateau, then moved to 65 Court of Ridge.

Bill was an assistant chief of the Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department for 21 years, from September 3, 1969, to July 6, 1990. He held other officer positions up to assistant fire chief. He was also active in the Greenbelt community as a member of the Greenbelt American Legion, and the VFW in College Park. Bill worked as a dispatcher for the D.C. Fire Department.

Bill was predeceased by his son Billy, brother Dennis and his parents. Bill has a granddaughter, Kayla and leaves behind many nieces and nephews. Bill remained very close to his former wife, Pat, who died three years ago. Bill is survived by his wife Christine and son Raymond.

Obituaries

The News Review publishes obituaries of Greenbelt residents, past or present.

You write it or we will if you prefer. We try to include information about participation in various activities and organizations, where the person lived and something about the family. A photograph and service information should be included. There is no charge.



During the pandemic, we gather VIRTUALLY for Liturgy of the Word Sundays, 10:00 a.m.

ALL ARE WELCOME!

For ZOOM link:

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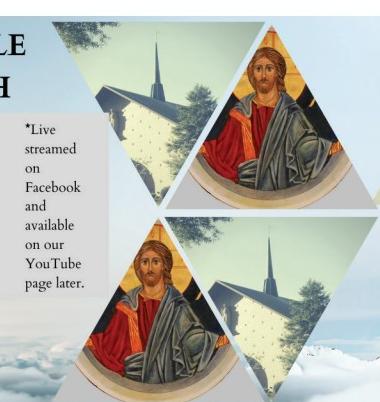
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Thanksgiving Services And Donations

The Greenbelt Interfaith Leadership Association (GILA) will be holding Greenbelt's traditional Thanksgiving celebration on Wednesday, November 24 at 7:30 p.m. via Zoom. GILA represents the various faith communities in Greenbelt.

To attend the Thanksgiving celebration, go to ConnectingAcrossGreenbelt.org/GILA and click on the Join the Meeting link. If connecting directly to Zoom beginning at 7:15 p.m., use the Zoom ID number 856 5016 4134, password 696741. GILA hopes to see many people there.

Donations

To give thanks for the blessings of the past year, GILA is asking for donations for the Greenbelt Emergency Assistance Fund and the Good Samaritan Fund. These funds have done so much good work in the past year – preventing 80 families from being evicted and 38 families from having their utilities cut off. Also, 50 families have received groceries and grocery gift cards each week or a Share food box monthly.

The Emergency Assistance Fund and the Good Samaritan Fund have helped people who have not qualified for the Ameri-

can Rescue Plan Act program. In addition, the funds can also now help Greenbelt residents who have suffered a natural disaster. These funds are unique in Prince George's County.

To give, make out a check to Greenbelt CARES, indicate in the memo section which fund the donation goes to and address an envelope to Greenbelt CARES, 25 Crescent Road, Greenbelt, MD 20770. Send donations by U.S. Postal Service or put the envelope in the Municipal Building's drop box at 25 Crescent Road.

Donations can also be made on the Greenbeltd.gov website; click Pay Online at the top of the page and choose Charitable Donations. After completing the form and clicking submit, the payment page will come up with a form to enter credit card information.

The St. Hugh's Food Pantry is accepting grocery gift cards, \$5 grocery bags purchased at the Greenbelt Co-op Supermarket that are transported regularly to the Food Pantry and non-perishable donations placed in the pink bins at St. Hugh's side rectory door at 135 Crescent Road. Thanks to everyone for their help and for being good neighbors.



We were saddened to learn that, after a brief illness, former Greenbelt resident Lois Funk died on November 1, her 83rd birthday. She had lived in Greenbelt for 20 years with her close friend Liz Labukas. She was a member of the Golden Age Club.

Condolences to the family and friends of Bill Dunn, who died on October 23.

Especially for Thanksgiving 2021, this message from our neighbors of 1940 cannot go amiss.

THIS DAY

This day we are thankful:
for the right to say what we please,
for airplanes that pass over Greenbelt without dropping bombs,
for butter, and eggs, and coffee,
for clean, warm, comfortable homes,
for automobiles, and gasoline to use in them,
for (a few) uncensored newspapers,
for the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans,
for all the other unimportant things in our lives
which have this year become so important.

- Greenbelt Cooperator,
November 21, 1940

Share your accomplishments, milestones and news in the Our Neighbors column. Send details of your news items to editor@greenbeltnewsreview.com.

"Anybody can be happy in the state of comfort, ease, health, success, pleasure and joy; but if one will be happy and contented in the time of trouble, hardship and prevailing disease, it is the proof of nobility." — 'Abdu'l-Bahá

Greenbelt Bahá'í Community

www.greenbeltbahais.org

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40 Ridge Road, Greenbelt

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301-474-9410

Reverend Rivera, Pastor

In-Person Worship Service 9:30 a.m.

Many thanks for a successful dinner and concert ♪



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An unpretentious, historic, welcoming, liberal, egalitarian synagogue that respects tradition and becomes your extended family in the 21st century.

Friday evening services at 8:00pm

Saturday morning services at 10:00am

All services and activities are currently virtual

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3215 Powder Mill Road, Adelphi

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November 21 10 a.m.

Abundant Blessings

Chris McCann - DRE, Rev. Ann Kadlecik

Thanksgiving is traditionally a time for gratitude, when we gather with others and offer thanks for the abundance in our lives. But how might we pay attention on the other days of the year to all the blessings of this life? And what might be different if we truly believed that we have what we need to face our challenges? Join Rev. Ann Kadlecik and Chris McCann for this whole-congregation Thanksgiving Service. And bring your cornbread (or other bread) and something to drink for the Cornbread Communion!

And, as always, if you have a joy or sorrow that you would like shared aloud during this service, please email it to joys-sorrows@pbuuc.org by noon on Friday.

City Notes

For Greenbelt's Veterans Day event, Public Works set up wreaths and infrastructure.

A rabbit was adopted, leaving four dogs, six cats, a kitten and a parakeet in the Animal Shelter.

Using the tractor, Horticulture/Parks blew leaves from the Buddy Attick Park path. Refuse/Recycling collected 28.19 tons of refuse and 11.02 tons of recyclables.

At Sustainability/Environmental's trail maintenance event, the hard work of 10 volunteers improved the Hamilton Tract trail system.

Building Maintenance inspected emergency lights, exit signs, air filters and fire extinguishers at the Youth Center, Community Center, Police Station and Municipal Building.

Recreation staff filmed videos for the Winter Lights Festival.

The Community Center hosted a blood drive. The water outage last Sunday delayed the Artful Afternoon. Georgetown University students toured the Museum.

Therapeutic Recreation facilitated a Golden Age Club meeting and delivered frozen meals to 20 seniors.

Park rangers welcomed Washington Area Bicyclist Association's Cider Riders at a pit stop at Buddy Attick Park.

Bicycle Repair Station Up, Running at GHI

The Greenbelt Homes, Inc. (GHI) outdoor bicycle repair station is up and ready to use. It includes tools for basic repairs and maintenance as well as a tire pump to keep that PSI up.

The station is located adjacent to the GHI maintenance building near the flagpole on Hamilton Place. This service is provided courtesy of the GHI Board and the GHI Bicycle Committee.

Donate Sneakers For People in Need

The Board of Congregational Life at Greenbelt Community Church, United Church of Christ (GCC) is collecting athletic shoes by partnering with GotSneakers. This sneaker recycling program helps to keep sneakers out of landfills, where they have harmful effects on the environment. They will send the sneakers to countries where the poor often go barefoot out of necessity. For more information about GotSneakers, go to their website at GotSneakers.com.

A donation box is located outside the Fellowship Center (the small building behind the church) for people to drop off sneakers at any time. GotSneakers will pay GCC a varying amount for name-brand and off-brand laced-up sneakers with no tears inside or outside. The company even pays for cleaning and shipping – all GCC does is collect sneakers.

County Has Rent Help

Prince George's County is offering rent relief because of Covid-19. The county's 2021 Emergency Rental Assistance Program will help eligible applicants with payment assistance for rent and utilities. Landlords may also apply on behalf of their tenants. Applications will be accepted until funds are out. To apply and for more information visit hcd.mypgc.us and click on "Emergency Rental Assistance Program."



City Information & Events

The strength of Greenbelt is diverse people living together in a spirit of cooperation. We celebrate all people. By sharing together all are enriched. We strive to be a respectful, welcoming community that is open, accessible, safe and fair.

GREENBELT CITY COUNCIL-REGULAR MEETING
Monday, November 22, 2021 at 8:00pm**ORGANIZATION**

Call to Order

Roll Call

Meditation and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Consent Agenda - Approval of Staff Recommendations (Items on the Consent Agenda [marked by *] will be approved as recommended by staff, subject to removal from the Consent Agenda by Council.)

Approval of Agenda and Additions

COMMUNICATIONS**Presentations**

- America Recycles Day Proclamation

Petitions and Requests*** Minutes of Council Meetings**

- Statement for the Record - Closed Session, November 11, 2021

Administrative Reports*** Committee Reports****LEGISLATION**

- A Resolution to negotiate the purchase and installation of construction services for the Buddy Attick Park Parking Lot Reconstruction Project as outlined in the request for proposals from E&R Services, Inc. at a lump sum cost of \$610,744.11, plus a negotiated rate of \$100.00 per square yard for additional asphalt base repair if deemed needed - 1st Reading

OTHER BUSINESS

FY 2022 - FY 2027 Draft Consolidated Transportation Program
Legal Services – Appeal of Bureau of Engraving and Printing Record of Decision

Police Reform Procedures for the Greenbelt Police Department

Council Activities

Council Reports

* Appointment to Advisory Board

* Resignation from Advisory Group

MEETINGS

COUNCIL MEETING WILL BE VIRTUAL Cablecast on Verizon 21, Comcast 71 and 996 and greenbeltdmd.gov/municipaltv

Resident participation: Information will be posted on Meetings Calendar at greenbeltdmd.gov

In advance, the hearing impaired is advised to use Video Relay Services (VRS) at 711 to submit your questions/comments or contact the City Clerk at 301-474-8000 or email banderson@greenbeltdmd.gov.

VIRTUAL MEETINGS FOR NOVEMBER 22-26

Tuesday, November 23 at 7:30pm, **GREEN ACES/GREEN TEAM, On the Agenda: Prince George's County Climate Action Plan, New Climate Emergency Goals Recommendations to Council, Updates From Sustainability Framework/Green Team Circles**
- Energy / Solar Circle, Food Systems/Sustainable Land Care/
Pollinators Circle; Green Building; Land Use; Transportation - EVIPG Report for Council – Next Steps, Local Economies - Time Bank Circle; Waste Management/Zero Waste Circle; Water/Streams – Mosquito Control Circle

Wednesday, November 24 at 7:00pm, **MAGLEV TASK FORCE MEETING, On the Agenda: Open Discussion, Updates, Brainstorming Ways to Build Support for the "No Build" Option**

Wednesday, November 24 at 8:00pm, **WORK SESSION – TBD, Virtual meeting will be shown on Verizon 21, Comcast 71 and 996, and streaming at greenbeltdmd.gov/municipaltv**

In advance, the hearing impaired is advised to use MD RELAY at 711 to submit your questions/comments or contact the City Clerk at 301-474-8000 or email banderson@greenbeltdmd.gov. This schedule is subject to change. For confirmation that a meeting is being held call 301-474-8000. For information on public participation for the virtual meetings above, visit the meetings calendar at greenbeltdmd.gov.

VACANCIES ON BOARDS & COMMITTEES

Volunteer to serve on City Council Advisory Groups.
There are currently vacancies on:

- Advisory Committee on Education
- Arts Advisory Board
- Board of Elections
- Park & Recreation Advisory Board
- Senior Citizens Advisory Committee
- Youth Advisory Committee

For more information call 301-474-8000

ATTENTION Greenbelt Residents!

Please complete our Community Questionnaire
greenbeltdmd.gov/survey

DECEMBER FREE PRODUCE DISTRIBUTION

Thursday, December 16
1:00pm–3:00pm
Greenbelt Community Center

HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

City Offices will be closed Thursday and Friday, November 25–26, for the Thanksgiving Holiday.

The GREENBELT CONNECTION will not be operating.

REFUSE/RECYCLING SCHEDULE

Week of November 22

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|-----------------|--|
| Monday Route | – Refuse & Recycling Regular Schedule |
| Tuesday Route | – Refuse & Recycling Regular Schedule |
| Wednesday Route | – Refuse & Recycling Regular Schedule |
| Thursday Route | – Refuse collected on Wednesday
– No Recycling Collection |

There will be no appliance/metals, hard plastics, or yard waste collections on Friday, November 26.

GREENBELT JURIED ART AND CRAFT FAIR

Shop online:
November 26–December 19



Shop in person:
Saturday, December 4: 10:00am–5:00pm
Sunday, December 5: 10:00am–4:00pm

Greenbelt Community Center and Youth Center

Live music both days

Visit greenbeltdmd.gov/craft, launching 11/26

Sign up to volunteer at <https://bit.ly/3bx9E8v>

2021 GOBBLE WOBBLE

Thursday, November 25

9:00am

Greenbelt Youth Center



Join us for the Gobble Wobble Family Fun Run & Walk, a Thanksgiving morning community tradition. Participants meet at the Greenbelt Youth Center and the course takes them on the Buddy Attick Park lake path. Get some exercise before your Thanksgiving feast!

No race day registration. Pre-registration required. Participants receive a Gobble Wobble shirt. Medals for top male & female finishers and youth participants.

Individual: \$20; Family 4-Pack: \$70

Race Packet Pick-Up:

Wednesday, November 24, 9:00am–8:00pm at Youth Center

To register, visit <https://bit.ly/31xiBge>

Questions? Call 301-397-2200

Weather & information hotline: 301-474-0646

INDIAN CREEK TRAIL CLEANUP

Sunday, November 21

10:00am

Indian Creek Trail,
Greenbelt, MD

In partnership with:
Department of Public Works

Register at
<https://bit.ly/3wqeaPM>

**DECEMBER FREE HOLIDAY FOOD BOX DISTRIBUTION**

Monday, December 20

1:00pm–4:00pm

Springhill Lake Recreation Center, Greenbelt, MD

Registration due Monday,
December 6, 5:00pm

Register at <https://forms.gle/mbVFwZXbX9yvP1Kc6> or call 240-542-2033

GREENBELT NURSERY PROJECT

Starts on Wednesday,
January 12

Free services offered:
Diapers, formula, baby accessories monthly; baby wellness nursing assessment; baby milestone progress review; information/resource linkage; healthy eating education

This program is available to:

- Families living in the city limits of Greenbelt
- Children ages newborn to 3 years old
- Children who wear diapers or pull-ups

Registration due Monday,
December 27

To register, call
240-542-2019 or email
kfarzin@greenbeltdmd.gov



Prince George's Performs Well In State Covid-19 Case Statistics

by Cathie Meetre

Current data from November 12 and preceding days pertaining to Prince George's County and the Greenbelt zip code show both jurisdictions doing well in terms of new cases of Covid-19, with the county just within the Moderate Community Transmission band and zip code 20770 just a little higher into the low end of the Substantial Community Transmission category (as defined by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention).

PG Makes It to Moderate

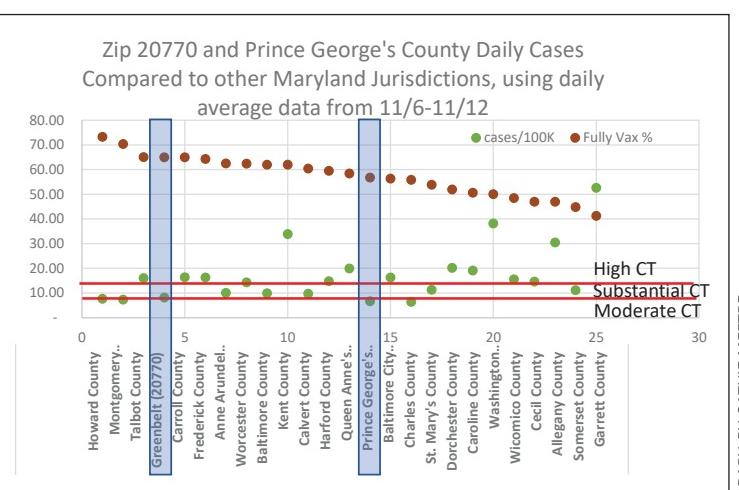
Prince George's is one of only four counties in Maryland to be in the Moderate Community Transmission range overall. The county also has the second fewest new cases per 100,000 population of all Maryland counties during the seven-day period examined here. The other three Moderate Transmission counties are Howard and Montgomery (which also have the two highest rates of vaccination and more new cases than Prince George's) and, perhaps surprisingly, Charles County, which has about the same vaccination percentage as Prince George's, and the lowest rate of new cases in the state.

Trailing the pack is Garrett County, which has by far the highest rate of community transmission (52/100,000/day) and the lowest vaccination rate (41.3 percent). But Kent County, which had nearly 34 new cases per day per 100,000 population – much like Allegany County with just over 30 cases – has 62 percent vaccinated to Allegany's 47 percent.

Correlation Considerations

The picture is muddy. On the whole, jurisdictions with high rates of vaccination do show lower community transmission rates, but the correlation is far from perfect. The Greenbelt zip code, for example, has a higher rate of fully vaccinated population than the county overall (65 percent vs. 56.8 percent) so one would expect a lower rate of new cases – but the reverse is true. It is also important to note that recent data entries may be adjusted or corrected in the future so these numbers should be considered preliminary.

The graph shows the rate of new cases, but there is no information included here on how serious they are, how many of those infected were vaccinated or which cases are resulting in hospitalizations or deaths. Many cases that are not serious and merely reflect higher testing rates



Although vaccinations correlate to some degree with decreased new case incidence, there are significant deviations that are likely related to other factors. Data from opendata.maryland.gov

may be a preferable result to fewer but more serious infections.

Multiple Factors

The raw rate of new cases per population likely also depends on other factors than vaccination. For example, Prince George's County still has a mask mandate in place, whereas Montgomery County, for example, lifted theirs at the end of October, several

days prior to the start of the period considered here. Other possible factors include availability and utilization of testing, demographics of age or race, whether the county is rural or urban or how accurate the reporting is to date.

Data are taken from tabulations in the Health section of opendata.maryland.gov.

Andrews Is City's New Public Information Coordinator

The city announced on Thursday, November 11 that Chondria Andrews has been hired to serve as Greenbelt's new public information and communication coordinator. The position has been vacant since Beverly Palau retired in July 2021.

Greenbelt City Manager Nicole Ard stated, "Chondria comes to the City of Greenbelt after years of working in various communications roles where she has managed brand reputations, developed timely communication strategies and delivered critical information to the public. We are quite confident in her ability to immediately step in and effectively serve the City of Greenbelt by communicating the latest public information."

Most recently, Andrews was a communications specialist at Luminis Health Doctors Community Medical Center in Lanham, where she oversaw multiple communication channels for employees, physicians, patients and medical staff. Previously, Andrews was a communications compliance coordinator in the athletic department at Howard University in Washington, D.C.

"I'm thrilled to be working



Chondria Andrews is the City's new public information and communication coordinator.

in the city's public information office to promote and manage all the city's communications for programs, issues and events," said Andrews. "My goal is to keep our residents, businesses and visitors informed, and the community moving forward."

Andrews holds an M.A. in mass communications and media studies and a B.A. in public relations with a minor in business administration from Howard University. She has been professionally active within the Washington metropolitan area for more than 20 years.



A chalk drawing by Vijay Parameshwaran celebrates Diwali on November 4.

PHOTO BY VIJAY PARAMESHWARAN



Fall foliage near Spellman Overpass

PHOTO BY STEVE BUCCO

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AND
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A MASK



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In between Giant and Target, two of our major anchor stores, there are literally dozens of independent and locally owned stores that deserve your patronage! When you shop at Beltway Plaza's businesses more money is kept within our community. Buying locally helps grow businesses, helps create jobs for your friends and neighbors, and contributes to improved public infrastructure and our community both socially and economically.

Beltway Plaza Mall has served the Greenbelt Community for over 58 years. Since the Mall was originally developed the Beltway Plaza Merchants' Association and the Mall owners have supported the community with many charitable and community related activities.

We are proud to be undertaking some exciting new changes to the Mall that will greatly enhance the shopping experience of our customers! Also, you can rely upon Mall Management for a Covid-19 secure environment and friendly customer service. Beltway Plaza Mall retailers and restaurants include small businesses such as:

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| Advanced Health | Import Cottage |
| Affordable Worldwide Travel | Laugh Out Loud Stations |
| African Braids | Like On TV |
| Arto's Shoe Repair | Living Healthy |
| Bang's Watch Repair | Luggage 'N Things |
| Beltway Blossom Shop | Mode Custom Tailor |
| Bling Jewelry | MSP Communications |
| Bun Café | Nail Art |
| C Collection | Pho 168 |
| El Taco Rico | Sapologie Italian Fashion Factory |
| First Lady | Three Brothers Italian Restaurant |
| Greenbelt Liquors | Visual Eyes |
| Heaven's Bakery | Why Not Boutique |
| Hermosa | Z Burger |
| Home Pretzel | |



Saturday Co-op Shoppers Buy and Donate Maxi Pads

by Anna Bedford-Dillow

On November 6, a frosty Saturday, Greenbelt Alliance for Reproductive Freedom (GARF) kicked off its November donation campaign with a table on the ramp of the Co-op Supermarket. They were collecting bras and menstrual products for girls and women experiencing homelessness, domestic violence, poverty, incarceration and other oppressive conditions.

The small number of GARF members standing at that chilly table were overwhelmed by the large and heartwarming responses they received from fellow Green-

belters. Shoppers who passed GARF representatives while on their way into the store returned on their way out with contributions of menstrual products in addition to their own grocery bags. GARF's tabling began at 10 a.m. and by 5 p.m. there was a conspicuous hole in the menstrual product aisle of the Co-op where caring customers had cleared out the supply of menstrual pads. Members of the donation drive organizing committee said the response last weekend far exceeded their expectations.



A shelf is bare at Greenbelt Co-op where maxi pads were bought up for donation.

City Offers Rent, Utility Assistance

Through CARES, those who live within the city limits of Greenbelt are eligible to receive up to \$10,000 per household from the American Rescue Plan Act federal funds for emergency rental assistance. Applicants must show financial hardship due to Covid-19. Previous recipients of rental or utility assistance funds can apply but the previous balances count toward the total grant award allowed.

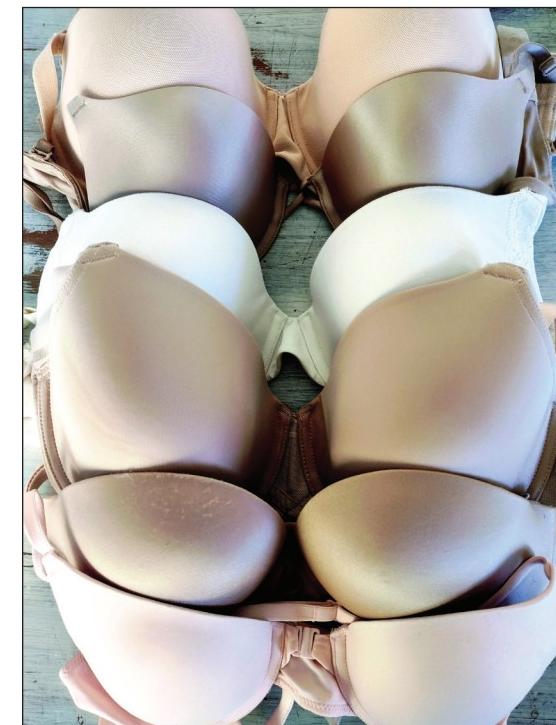
Email Cares@greenbeltdmd.gov or call 301-345-6660 to receive an application.

CPAE Offers Free Samba, Drumming

On Saturday, November 20, College Park Arts Exchange will host free workshops by EducArte. At 2 p.m. learn the basics of Brazilian samba dance, and at 3 p.m. enjoy a Brazilian percussion workshop. Participants will learn basic rhythms and the event will finish with a jam session. Some percussion instruments (pandeiros, tamborins, shakers, and surdos) are available for participants, but please bring your own instrument(s) if you have one. The workshops will take place at the Old Parish House, 4711 Knox Road, College Park.



A generous couple donate menstrual products during their shopping at Greenbelt Co-op.



Some of the bras were donated by members of the Greenbelt Buy Nothing Group before the donation boxes even went out.

PHOTO BY ANNA BEDFORD-DILLOW

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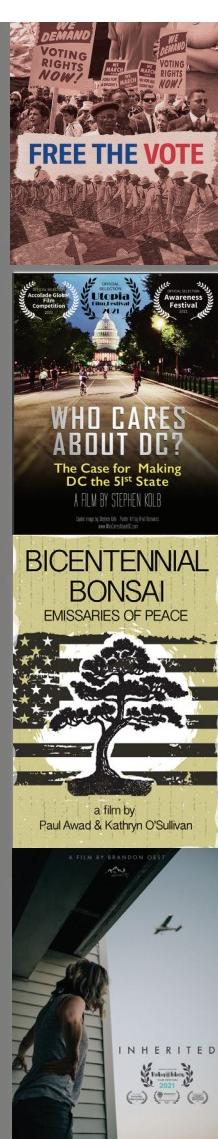
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Venues Include

Old Greenbelt Theater
129 Centerway
New Deal Cafe
113 Centerway
Greenbelt MD

Masks and Vaccination required at all venues.



Saturday, Nov. 20

Old Greenbelt Theatre		New Deal Cafe	
10am to 12pm	Following a Bird 8m Umoja 25m Sheer Qorma 30m	10am to 12pm	Works by Young Flat Line 3m 2190 Miles 8m Omega & Sparks 10m Ecstasy and Death: Keats and Shelley in Rome 57m
1pm to 3pm	Crossroads 3m A Date with History 11m Inherited 11m Unmarked 40m	1pm to 3pm	Labyrinth of Life 5m Extra Credit 6m Feeling Through 19m Amber's Halfway Home 31m
4pm to 6pm	Extra Credit 6m Roll the Drum 90m	4pm to 6pm	The Recess 12m Ten Thousand Camels 13m The Militiaman 32m

Sunday, Nov. 21

Old Greenbelt Theatre		New Deal Cafe	
10am to 12pm	Dazzling: Geneva at 90 4m Sensei Fran Kicks Ass 20m The Purple Thanaka of the Angels 53m	10am to 12pm	Betty 9m In a Whole New Way 32m Free the Vote: The past and Present of Restoring Voting Rights in Maryland 40m
1pm to 3pm	Crossroads 3m Extra Credit 6m Farmer Lee Jones & The Chef's Garden 8m From Durban to Tomorrow 40m	1pm to 3pm	Following a Bird 8m Beating Superbugs: Can We Win? 68m
4pm to 6pm	Bicentennial Bonsai: Emissaries of Peace 35m Who Cares About DC? 65m	4pm to 6pm	Sky Sun, Tile Sun 19m Inherited 11m Every Moment 21m Ourselves, in Stories 24m

Special Showing **The Rumba Kings**
Fri., & Sat., at 7-9pm **New Deal Cafe**

Special **FREE** Showing Mon., 7:30pm
New Deal Cafe
Wandering a Rohingya Story

A Project of Greenbelt Access Television



City Manager, Department Heads Report on Budget Year to Date

by Matthew Arbach

On Wednesday, October 27, City Manager Nicole Ard met with the Greenbelt City Council to give her annual update. Also present were City Treasurer Bertha Gaymon, Director of Human Resources Dawane Martinez, Director of Public Works Jim Sterling, Director of Planning and Community Development Terri Hruby, Director of Information Technology Dale Worley, as well as Assistant City Manager Timothy George, to share the status of their various departments. In spite of the pandemic's continued effects, the city is making positive strides and beginning to return to pre-pandemic levels of normalcy.

Ard began with a brief presentation where she outlined the city's efforts in many areas, such as: Covid-19 relief funds; food and diaper distribution; economic sustainability, including recovery funding and regular business information briefs, spearheaded by Economic Development Coordinator Charise Liggins; investment in infrastructure; public safety, including newly sworn officers; and many virtual social aid and recreation programs, from Greenbelt CARES, the Greenbelt Assistance in Living program and Greenbelt Recreation. Ard's message was that "even after the pandemic and storms, we are stronger together."

Gaymon asserted that while the city's financial status has not recovered to its pre-pandemic standing, the situation is "stable and sound," with things "moving as planned." As of September 2021, the city's revenues were \$31,350,000 and its expenditures were \$31,790,000. This was compared to September 2020, when revenues were \$29,622,835 and expenditures were \$29,235,550. In a memo to council, Gaymon reported that while Covid's "impact seemed to have lessened based on the trends and revenue received to date, it is too early in the fiscal year to begin making any recommendations for budget adjustment." Yet, "staff remains positive that near term prospects will remain positive."

Many capital projects (defined as costing over \$10,000 and requiring more than 10 years to complete) remain to be finished. Those discussed by council were: the renovation of the Buddy Attick Park parking lot, with a probable starting point of after winter (or before if dictated by the strictures of the \$650,000 grant from the Chesapeake Coastal Trust Fund), the WMATA trail at Greenbelt Station, the cleaning and restoration of the Mother and Child statue at Roosevelt Center, a water line to the dog park, and the building of new, and maintenance of existing, bus shelters.

George stated that a three-month public engagement process is in the works to help strategize the best uses for the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding to the city. Providing to the city's

most underserved is a priority, and April is the deadline for coming up with a plan.

Martinez explained that the Human Resources Department is endeavoring to convert its entire system over to a digital format, which will enhance all its recordkeeping and benefit access to information, including a benefits brochure that will answer all questions on the matter. A job classification and compensation study is continuing, in order to ensure equal pay for equal work and to market appropriate salary ranges and accurate job descriptions. The overall vaccination rate for city departments is 85 percent. Recreation is at 55 percent due to its large number of young seasonal and summer employees who haven't been recorded. Six percent remains the city's job turnover rate, with recent hires being George, Martinez and Chondria Andrews, the new public information and communications coordinator.

Worley laid out the status of the city's IT system and its negotiations with Verizon and Comcast, both of which have franchise agreements with the city. The Comcast agreement, which has expired yet is still in use, awaits renewal. Negotiations on a similar renewal agreement with Verizon is "anticipated to commence in the coming year," said Worley in a separate interview. Greenbelt has joined a coalition of county municipalities in an effort to provide for "a sharing of costs, expertise and resources to negotiate the best possible agreement for everyone." With Comcast looking to put an end to the County's I-Net fiber optic network in the next 10 years, Worley and staff are working to find a replacement, explaining that if an alternative is not found, the city will be forced to pay a prohibitive monthly fee. The IT Department plans to do a safety audit that will ascertain the city's IT vulnerabilities and better train the city's employees on cyber safety.

Ard reassured council that mental health services are being provided and appreciated by city residents, especially seniors.

Sterling reported that the Greenbelt Connection has weekday ridership numbers at pre-pandemic levels, with lower numbers on weekends. He also said that his department is making the transition to electric blowers and saws whenever possible.

Greenbelt Recreation is now expanding its services to non-residents again and has unveiled some new programs such as Teen Takeover, futsal and an after-school program that helps with homework and provides fun activities.

A food truck event at Schrom Hills Park is tentatively planned for March 26, 2022.

St. Hugh's Christmas Bazaar



The Christmas Bazaar Committee, chaired by Ginger Feliciotti, poses with the volunteers who made the 2021 Christmas Bazaar at St. Hugh's, after a delay for a year, a huge success.

- Photos by Barbara Ford



Below, Sharon Miller, left, and Vicki Focht pose at Solange's Jewelry Shop, which had a banner year.



New Greenbelt Listings



**19S Ridge Road
\$225,000**

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spoke further about how Billy was an "ambassador of God" and that he deserved the "hero designation." After Kapastin spoke, the Reverend Ray RAYSOR gave the invocation prayer. A large crowd of people had turned out to watch the ceremony, filling the hallway in which the Wall of Fame is located. Most city councilmembers were present including Emmett Jordan, Kristen Weaver, Silke Pope, Judith Davis, Ric Gordon and Colin Byrd. Byrd spoke and reflected that Smith's contributions reached far beyond athletics, in that the concern and dedication Smith demonstrated while coaching local youth sports impacted the character and minds of the kids he came into contact with in a positive and far-reaching way.

One of the most moving speeches was given by Smith's mother. Terry Smith stated, "I am a proud mother." She spoke of her son's magnetic personality and "how he planted seeds of kindness and giving in so many." Layla Smith, daughter and student at Eleanor Roosevelt High School, said that her dad, "is my hero," while Nathan Marshall, Smith's coaching colleague, said, "Billy was that person that would

step up – he had the heart for it." Xavier Dockery, who Smith coached, stated that, "he was a father figure," and Brian Butler, manager of the Springhill Lake Recreation Center, described fond and happy memories of family get-togethers. Finally, Robert Zugby, Smith's father-in-law, spoke of how Billy was much more than a son-in-law, saying, "He was our son." Zugby talked about how Billy always considered the broader community as an extension of his family. To close the proceedings, Kristina Smith, Billy's widow, thanked everyone for honoring Billy that evening, stating that it "gives me comfort to see how he impacted so many people in such a positive way." She added, "I cannot wait for the day we get full justice for Billy and that will happen," referring to criminal charges pending in court against Billy's assailants.

Billy Smith's picture has been installed on the Wall of Fame, located at the TJ Maxx entrance at Beltway Plaza, in recognition of his service to the Greenbelt community and to honor his legacy as a coach and mentor of youth with the Greenbelt Boys and Girls Club.



Reverend Ray RAYSOR speaks at the event.

Colin Byrd
speaks at the
Wall of Fame in-
duction for Billy
Smith.



Kristina Smith stands with her husband's photos at the Wall of Fame induction on Friday, November 12.



The Wall of Fame at Beltway Plaza is packed for the dedication of Billy Smith's photo.

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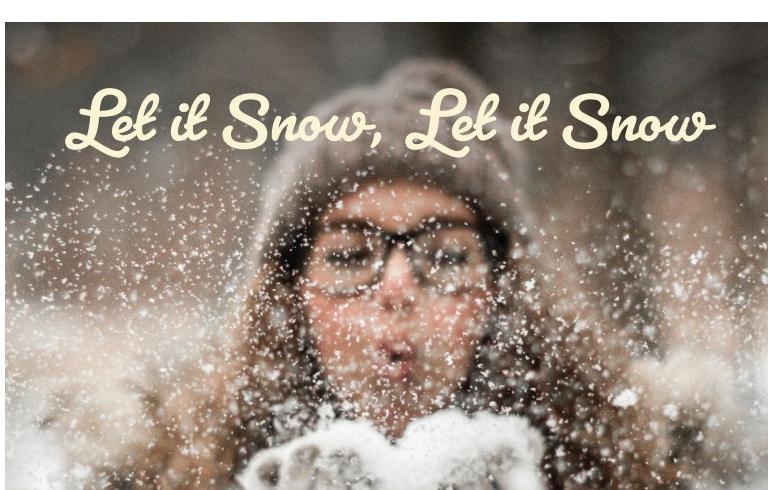
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Comment Period Ends Dec. 1 For County Climate Action Plan

The 30-day public comment period for Prince George's County Draft Climate Action Plan runs through Wednesday, December 1. The plan, along with comments collected during the public comment period, will be presented to the county council in January.

The plan provides a framework for systemic change to address greenhouse gas emissions and climate resilience, with a goal to reduce emissions by 50 percent of 2005 levels by 2030. Priority recommendations focus on actions for the next three to five years, including educating county workers about how to make climate-conscious decisions, accelerating deployment of solar energy, building retrofits, electrifying the county's vehicle fleet and instituting new "no-net-tree-loss" recommendations. The plan includes actions to protect vulnerable populations from the effects of excess heat and to develop a more resilient electrical grid, investing first in communities with the most need. New

systems for collecting and sharing data to monitor implementation of the plan are intended to provide greater transparency and accountability.

The Draft Climate Action Plan was developed with input from 16 commissioners, three public meetings, written public comment through a virtual open house and input from a residents' advisory group. Action by the county council and county executive will be needed to adopt and implement the plan.

The Draft Climate Action Plan, along with information about how to provide written and oral comments, can be viewed at princegeorgescountymd.gov/3748/Climate-Change.

Two virtual public meetings will be held on Tuesdays, November 23 and 30, from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Registration is required to participate. Registrants will receive an email containing information about joining the meeting. To register, visit bit.ly/PGCvirtualCAPmtg.

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has gradually ramped up the Café's food offerings and hours. Delicious menu items include breakfast sandwiches, pastries, smoothies and coffee drinks in the morning, soups in the afternoon and, in recent weeks, baked or fried chicken, ribs, vegan lasagna and a host of side dishes in the evening. The Café is now open seven days a week, from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Saturday and 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Sunday – with later hours on Friday and Saturday nights when there is live music.

"We're so delighted to be serving food and beverages to our neighbors in Greenbelt in a new and exciting way!" said Dan Gillotte, Co-op and New Deal Café general manager. "Opening a new café business in the pandemic era hasn't been easy, but the support of the community has been overwhelming and encouraging. We're very pleased to be heading back to an era with more art and music to complement the food and beverage at the New Deal."

Gillotte plans to continue working on menu offerings over the coming months. "We've got a great crew operating the Café and are slowly adding new people to help us expand our capacity and offerings." According to Gillotte, the Café is newly offering oats and overnight oats in the morning and a baked salmon and rosemary roasted chicken for dinner. "We're also so happy to be expanding our positive local impact by featuring many local brewers (e.g., Denizens, DC Brau and Union Brewing) along with local baked vegan goods from our friends at Wilma Bakes," said Gillotte.

With the interior restored, the new food vendor up and running and Covid-19 restrictions eased, the Café turned its attention to re-starting its award-winning music and arts programming. The board and music coordinator Amethyst Dwyer took a measured, careful approach to rolling out live music events, adopting an entry requirement of either proof of Covid-19 vaccination or a negative PCR test (within 48 hours) for patrons.

These entry requirements

will continue until further notice. In addition, mask mandates will continue to be strictly enforced, as required by the Prince George's County government.

The Café started offering music only once or twice a week in mid-October with a 50 percent capacity, but now that Prince George's County has dropped its capacity requirement, so will the Café. The Café will offer music every Friday and Saturday night (excluding November 26 and 27) and music, or other programming, Tuesday through Sunday nights each week beginning January 1. The Café is also planning a New Year's Eve party with one of Greenbelt's favorite bands, 49 Cent Dress, who play a wide variety of danceable hits from the 1960s to today.

Along with the return of music to the venue, artwork has reappeared on the Café's walls. The Café's new art coordinator, Shaymar Higgs, and the board of Friends of New Deal Café Arts (FONDCA) have been working with talented local artists to install shows in the Café's front and back rooms in the past several weeks, adding further visual appeal to the venue.

That the Café has weathered the past year-and-a-half and is coming back to life is a testament to the support, patience, hard work and generosity of the community, Hartman noted. "We want to thank our members, supporters, staff, volunteers, city officials and many others who have lent us a hand during these difficult times." Hartman added that many challenges remain, including labor and supply shortages, government loans that need to be repaid, volunteer positions that need to be filled and the unknown future trajectory of the pandemic. "As a member-owned, not-for-profit cooperative, we ask for the continuing support and patronage of the community as we get back on our feet," said Hartman.

For further information on the Café's hours, menu, music and arts events – and to find out how to join and volunteer – visit newdealcafe.com or Facebook at facebook.com/groups/newdealcafe.

Updated Greenbelt Park Now Open for Campers, Visitors

by Julie Rapp

On November 1, Greenbelt Park opened after being closed since July 2019. Walking trails had remained open during the closure but cars had been turned away at the park entrance. All roads, parking lots and the Sweetgum Picnic Area, campground and comfort stations are now open for visitors. Campers can reserve one of 172 sites online through Recreation.gov and stay for \$20 a night. There is no entrance fee and the park is open from sunrise to sunset daily. Visitors are encouraged to check out the new roads and updated facilities.

- Photos by Amy Hansen



As of November 1, Greenbelt Park reopens after 27 months of parking lots and camping areas being closed. The roads through the park, which is part of the National Park system, were refinished.



Camping in Greenbelt Park is on again. A few of the campsites are in use.

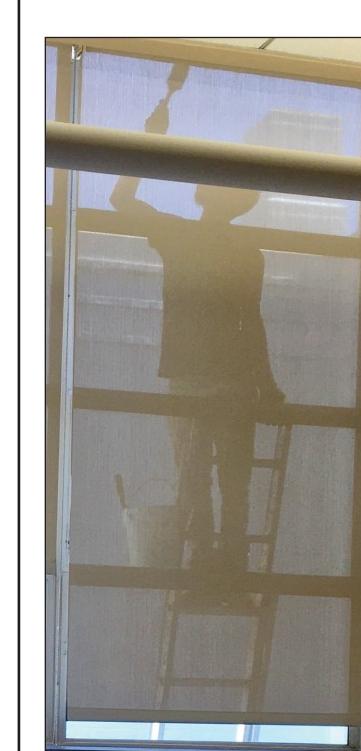


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A painter as seen through the screened window of the Senior Game Room paints the outside of the Community Center.



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Congratulations Councilmembers

I write to congratulate my municipal government colleagues in Greenbelt on their election earlier this month. While the city council said goodbye to two long-serving members, it will also welcome two new members. The city will continue to be served well by the council's leadership and experience.

I especially want to congratulate all the returning members of the Greenbelt City Council – Mayor Emmett V. Jordan, Councilmembers Judith F. Davis, Rodney M. Roberts, Silke Pope and Colin Byrd on their re-election. I say welcome to the new members – Mayor Pro Tem Kristen L. K. Weaver and Councilmember Brandon Ric Gordon – and wish them well in their new positions. I also want to say a heartfelt thank you to Ed Putens and Leta Mach for their long and distinguished service to the city – you have much to be proud of.

I look forward to our continued work with the new council and leadership on the important issues facing the city and Prince George's County, including our ongoing recovery from the Covid-19 pandemic and future Zoning Rewrite. I thank the citizens of Greenbelt for allowing me to serve you this past year. And I also wish the council and residents a safe and joyous Thanksgiving and holiday season.

*Hon. Todd M. Turner
County Council Member,
4th District*

Thanks to Citizens, Hopes for Council

I want to thank the citizens of Greenbelt for honoring me by electing me to city council in past years. I enjoyed the 18 years that I served on council. I have decided that I can do more for Greenbelt by helping create and make strong cooperatives.

I wish the members of the new city council have a pleasant job working for our citizens. I also hope the councilmembers will work well together. Fighting on the council gives Greenbelt a bad name.

Leta Mach

Around the Lake Path And Into the Woods

One great attraction Greenbelt offered when we moved here four years ago was the opportunity to have a dog with its own yard. A second was many interesting and leafy places to be walked by said dog, including the lovely Greenbelt Lake, around which we have worn our own rut.

I'm embarrassed to say that it is only in the last two weeks that Sir Brodie Alexander has taken us to the North Woods (several times), and today to the Hamilton Woods. What wonderful experiences for all of us!

I am enormously grateful to those whose wisdom, foresight and effort over many decades has both preserved and expanded Greenbelt's forests. We are a healthier, saner and happier community as a result. Thank you!

David K. Aylward



Style, Not Policies

The proposal to establish a reparations research commission in Greenbelt passed overwhelmingly, yet in remarks at the November 8 council meeting, Colin Byrd said that he saw an appetite in the city for "turning back the clock" and to return to the "good old days" while avoiding "thorny issues."

The strong support for a reparations commission indicates the opposite. This was a progressive vote on a controversial topic. In The Washington Post, Byrd also said that his support for the referendum cost him votes. That is also not a completely true statement.

I voted for Byrd the first two times he ran for city council. I did not vote for him this year, though I support a number of his proposals. His divisive rhetoric, his poor management of the council and his impulsive responses weakened advocacy for the causes he championed.

It was not Mr. Byrd's policies, but his political style which cost him my vote – and the votes of other Greenbelters, as some have told me. His loss of support does not indicate opposition to progressive ideas. The job of an elected official is not only to work toward policies that will improve civic life, but to build consensus among diverse constituents. Byrd has been seriously lacking in this latter skill. That lack, not the content of his policies, is why a number of people saw him as divisive.

I hope that his fall from top vote-getter helps him to re-evaluate his leadership style. I commend him for his apology for his behavior. That's not an easy thing to do, and it is a step in the right direction. More effective political leadership and consensus-building on his part could help him win back voters like me who supported him in the past.

Frank DeBernardo

Day Too Long for Election Workers?

My husband has been in the doghouse ever since he told me he registered to be an election clerk on Election Day here in Greenbelt. I probably should mention that my husband is a proud naturalized citizen of 40 years and that he has been an election clerk many times before and therefore knows the drill. Basically, it is a 15-hour day that starts at 6 a.m.

He was assigned to Precinct 6. According to the results as reported to the city, Precinct 6 had the largest turnout: 532 voters. Only mail-in voters surpassed it at 827 voters. And with 19 consecutive days of early voting at three polling venues, early voting netted only 390 voters.

Back to election day. Two election clerks and one election judge were assigned to Precinct 6, but one clerk was a no-show, leaving just two people to process 532 voters. All in all, my husband thought it went well. Voters were friendly. It was enjoyable but exhausting.

Now that we have added early voting and mail-in voting to Election Day, this is a good time to consider a shorter Election Day with polls open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and poll workers needed from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. The shorter 10-hour day may even attract a few more poll workers.

Did I fail to mention that my husband is 83 years old? Even so, he is still in the doghouse or, as I prefer to call it, Quarantine.

Jean Lombardo



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tree should also be within 75 feet of a building in GHI or park area owned by the City of Greenbelt.

GHI has contracted Rebecca Feldberg, a self-employed arborist from Baltimore, to identify and mark these trees. The contractor uses a specialty tape measure – a dbh tape – to measure the circumference. The tape has increments on it to tell the user the tree's diameter, even though they're measuring the circumference.

For each tree identified, the arborist collects information such as the address of the nearest residence, service side or garden side, type of tree (oak, poplar, etc.), its condition (which is done

for risk assessment purposes), the tag number and the date of inventory. Feldberg estimates that there are about 2,000 tagged trees, and that she has examined about 3,000 trees, but the remaining approximately 1,000 trees didn't meet the criteria for tagging.

So you could theoretically use the tags to find your way home, but the real long-term purpose of the tree marker program is to help GHI and the city to maintain and preserve our community's trees.

The metal marker for the GHI Tree Marker Program



Arborist Rebecca Feldberg marks the tree she has examined on the map.

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Police Blotter

Based on information released by the Greenbelt Police Department, www.greenbeltdmd.gov/police. Dates and times are those when police were first contacted about incidents.

Greenbelt Police Department is using a new format for its police reports that eliminates some of the detail previously provided. The following report is based on the available information.

A robbery was reported in the area of 1 Court Eastway on November 12. A woman was walking through the tunnel by Eastway and Crescent when four Black juvenile males wearing all black with black face masks approached her and attempted to take her purse. Once she began yelling, the youths ran off.

After a shooting in the 7600 block of Mandan Road on November 8, officers located a man who was transported to a hospital and is reported to be in stable condition. Two men are sought. They are described as being Black and wearing all black clothing with white lettering who fled in a gray/silver Infiniti.

Assaults were reported at 10 Crescent Road, 7900 block of Belle Point Drive and 7800 block of Hanover Parkway on November 9, 10 and 13, respectively.

A sexual assault was reported on November 11 in the 7200 block of Mandan Road.

Break-ins were reported at the 9000 block of Breezewood Terrace, 8 Parkway and 9100 block of Edmonston Court on November 10, 12 and 14, respectively.

Three frauds were reported: one in the 8100 block of Ryan Way on November 8 and two on November 9 in the 7600 block of Mandan Road and the 6500 block of Lake Park Drive.

A 'Fight Combined' was reported on Greenbelt Road on November 9.

A call for assistance from Riverdale Park Police was described in the issue of November 11.

Four thefts from autos were reported from the 6600 block of Lake Park Drive, the 400 block of Ridge Road, the 9000 block of Breezewood Terrace and the 9100 block of Edmonston Court. The first two thefts took place on November 9 and the other two

on November 10 and 13, respectively. In addition, a vehicle was reported stolen from the 6100 block of Breezewood Drive on November 8.

Four other non-auto thefts were reported. One from the 7400 block of Greenbelt Road on November 11 and two on November 12 in the 5900 and 6000 blocks of Greenbelt Road and one on November 9 in the 7700 block of Belle Point Drive. Vandalism was also reported in the same block of Belle Point drive the same day.

Officers responded to a domestic dispute on November 12 and a request for a check on an individual's mental welfare on November 11.

Anyone with information regarding these incidents, please contact the Greenbelt Police Department at 301-474-7200 or greenbeltpd@greenbeltdmd.gov.

Sobriety Checkpoint On Thanksgiving Eve

The Greenbelt Police Department will conduct a sobriety checkpoint on Wednesday, November 24 at Crescent Road and Northway as a part of the Checkpoint Strikeforce Campaign.

According to Mothers Against Drunk Driving, the night before Thanksgiving has recently become one of the deadliest nights for motorists due to drunk drivers and unbuckled motorists.

Police officers will be looking for drunk drivers, reminding motorists of the consequences of drunk driving and looking for unbuckled drivers.

Under the Checkpoint Strikeforce initiative, law enforcement agencies in these jurisdictions have committed to conducting sobriety checkpoints throughout the region. The objectives of the campaign are to both deter motorists from driving under the influence of drugs and alcohol and to identify and arrest those who ignore the dangers of getting behind the wheel while impaired.

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Pedersoli Family Receives Legion's Blue Star Banner

by Butch Hicks

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Presenting the banner to the family, Auxiliary President Dana Coleman said, "It's an American tradition to display a Blue Star Service Banner in the window of a home when a loved one is proudly serving in the U.S. Armed Forces. As Americans support troops deployed overseas in Operation Enduring Freedom and Operation Iraqi Freedom, the Blue Star Service Banner is a reminder that war touches every neighborhood."



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From left, Karen and John Pedersoli receive a Blue Star Banner from Auxiliary Treasurer Sandi Dutton and Auxiliary President Dana Coleman.



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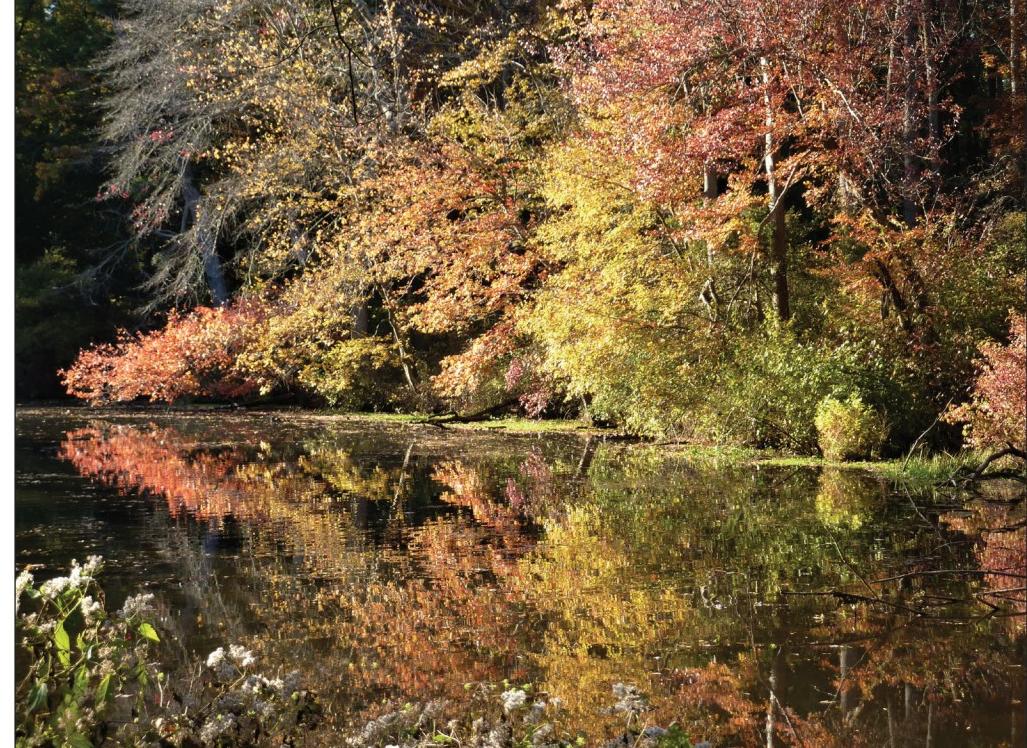


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Sports

ERHS Volleyball Ends Season In Finals vs. Bowie, Yet Again

by Scott Fifield

Each summer when tryouts begin (this year on August 11), players who are selected for the Eleanor Roosevelt High School (ERHS) varsity volleyball team are fairly certain that they'll be playing Bowie for the 4A South Region 2 championship. After the Raiders won the regular season match at Bowie in five sets, the two teams met again for that championship on November 10 at Roosevelt and created another five-set thriller. This time Bowie won 18-25, 25-19, 25-17, 14-25, 15-11 to break Roosevelt's three-season run of region titles. Bowie played at Arundel in the state quarterfinals on November 12.

A week earlier (November 2), Roosevelt also played in the Prince George's County championship match at 3A/2A/1A champion Oxon Hill. This was another tense match in which Oxon Hill prevailed 25-21, 25-21, 25-23. These two matches were the first losses by Roosevelt to a Prince George's County public school

since 2016. The Raiders finished 12-4, 11-0 in league play.

All season, the Raiders have been led by their two senior co-captains. Middle hitter Tiola Adelekan led the team with 114 kills, 58 blocks and 58 aces. Libero Kendal Howell led with 42 digs while directing the back row and was second with 53 aces. They were the only two players returning from the 2019 varsity team who had a significant amount of varsity-level playing time. But clearly new players stepped in this season – four who played on the 2019 junior varsity team, three sophomores who debuted in 2021 since there was no 2020 season, and a freshman and a transfer who solidified the outside hitter positions. The team will graduate seven seniors, so next August the returning players will need to work hard to ensure they're playing Bowie again in November 2022 for the regional championship.



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The ERHS volleyball team plays in 2021.



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ERHS Raiders Football



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Eleanor Roosevelt Raiders suffer a 15-39 defeat on Saturday, November 13. Because of this loss, they are eliminated from the playoffs.



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Brick Townhome 2 Bedroom GHI townhome w/ 1/2 bath throughout. Modern kitchen w/ stainless steel washer. Hardwood flooring on both levels.

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Post 136 Commander Mike Moore recognized veterans' and active-duty personnel's service to their nation. "On this day we are commemorating the service of veterans of all wars. We remember how men and women set aside their civilian pursuits to serve their nation's cause, defending the freedom of mankind and preserving our precious heritage." Representatives of the city council, Post 136 and the Greenbelt Police honor guard participated in the annual wreath-laying at the War Memorial. Moore said, "Every year we gather in front of this memorial to honor all of our fallen comrades with wreaths from the city, the Legion, the Auxiliary and the Sons of the American Legion." The ceremony concluded with a rifle-firing salute and the playing of Taps. As everyone began to leave, one Greenbelt resident remained among the wreaths. Lee Ealley, an Army airborne veteran who served in Vietnam in 1968, said, "It's right that we honor those who now serve, veterans and those we lost fighting for the freedom of our country. I'm glad our community cares enough to provide these ceremonies."

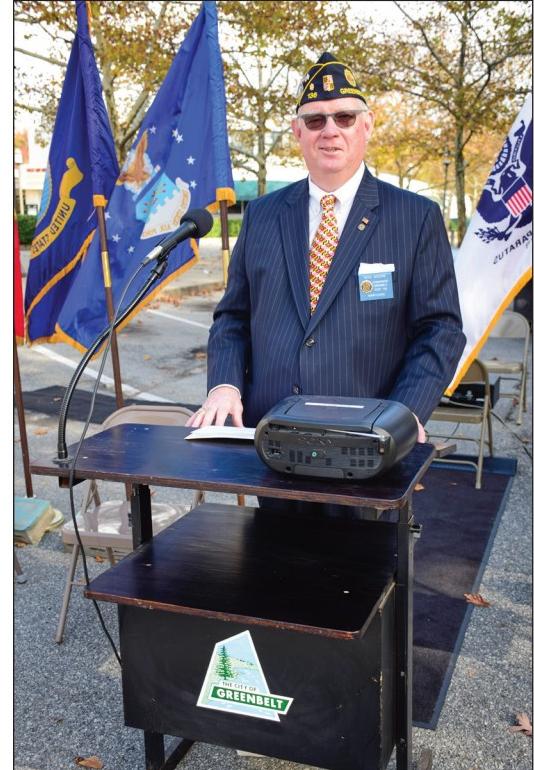


Mayor Emmett Jordan issues a proclamation honoring the Greenbelt post of the American Legion during the Veterans Day ceremony on Thursday, November 11.



Wreaths are presented and Taps played to close the Veterans Day ceremony at Roosevelt Center on Thursday, November 11.

- Photos by Glenn Harris



Mike Moore, the Commander of American Legion Post 136 in Greenbelt, is the master of ceremonies.



Marcus is one of the veterans attending the Veterans Day ceremony in Roosevelt Center.

County Council Approves New, Controversial Map

by Amy Hansen

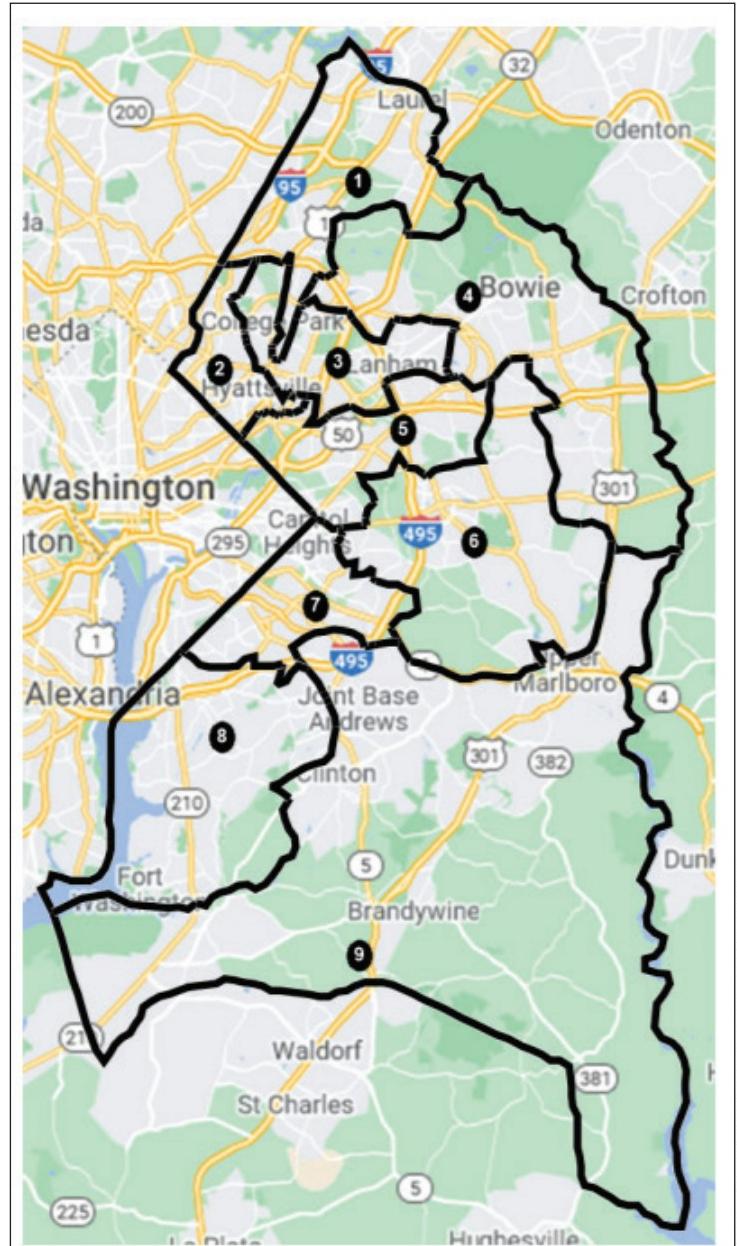
County Council passed the new redistricted map in a highly contentious meeting on November 16. The council's choices were to accept this map or accept the map developed by the County's Redistricting Commission, which was a no-change map. The redistricting map was proposed by Council Member Derrick Davis on October 14, then modified by Councilmember Mel Franklin on October 19. While the council-members have heard from many constituents since the map was proposed, there was not the iterative public interaction that was part of the Redistricting Commission's process.

Greenbelt City Council, as well as State Representative Alonzo Washington, were among those protesting the map as soon as it was announced. [see News Review issue October 28, 2021].

For the city council, the reasons for protest were the quick process of the map and the fact that the map leaves most of Greenbelt in District 4, but moves Greenbelt Park, part of the National Park Service, but within the Greenbelt city limits, into District 3.

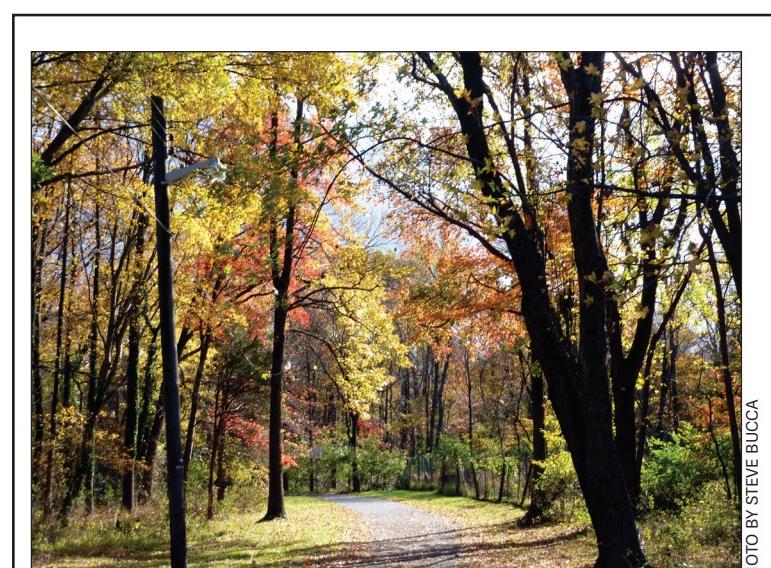
At the November 16 meeting, more than 150 people spoke against the map, which many said was a power grab, changing the districts where councilmembers had already begun campaigning. District 4 Councilmember Todd Turner said that the new map reflects the demographic changes in the county. He joined Council-members Davis, Franklin, Calvin Hawkins, Dani Taveras, and Sydney Harrison in voting for the new map.

Councilmembers Dannielle M. Glaros, Jolene Ivey, and Thomas E. Dernoga voted against it.



New redistricted map for Prince George's County

MAP COURTESY PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCIL



Fall foliage near the Spellman Overpass

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